

ON JUNE 19, 2015, R277-498 WAS APPROVED BY THE UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (USBE) ON SECOND READING. THE RULE IS SCHEDULED FOR THIRD AND FINAL READING BY THE USBE AT ITS AUGUST 7, 2015 MEETING.

R277. Education, Administration.

R277-498. Grant for Math Teaching Training.

R277-498-[2]1. Authority and Purpose.

~~[A.]~~ (1) This rule is authorized by:

(a) Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, which vests general control and supervision of public education in the Board~~[by]~~;

(b) Subsection 53A-1-401(3), which allows the Board to adopt rules in accordance with its responsibilities~~[by]~~; and ~~[by]~~

(c) Subsection 53A-6-901(2), [that]which directs the Board to [write]make rules to provide criteria to award a grant~~[-s] to a higher education institution(s) to encourage prospective educators to earn] related to mathematics [endorsements]education.~~

~~[B.]~~ (2) The purpose of this rule is to establish criteria to award [funds, consistent with 2012 legislation, to institution(s) of higher education]a grant to:

(a) support and encourage prospective educators to earn mathematics endorsements~~[-]~~; and

(b) assist an experienced mathematics teacher in becoming a teacher leader.

R277-498-[1]2. Definitions.

~~[A. "Board" means the Utah State Board of Education.]~~

~~[B.]~~ (1) "Comprehensive Administration of Credentials for Teachers in Utah Schools" or "[+]CACTUS[+]" means the electronic file maintained on all licensed Utah educators~~[-. The file]that includes[- information such as]:~~

~~[[1]]~~ a) personal directory information;

~~[[2]]~~ b) educational background;

~~[[3]]~~ c) endorsements;

~~[[4]]~~ d) employment history; and

~~[[5]]~~ e) a record of disciplinary action taken against the educator.

~~[C.]~~ (2) "Endorsements in mathematics" means one or more endorsements in the mathematics teaching field that:

(a) qualify an educator or prospective educator to teach a specific or specific level of mathematics course~~[-. A notation indicating the educator's competency is maintained]; and~~

(b) is indicated by a notation on the educator's CACTUS record.

(3) "Grantee" or "prospective grantee" means:

(a) an institution of higher education; or

(b) a nonprofit educational organization.

~~[D.]~~ (4) "Matching funds" means funds provided by the grant recipient in order to receive state funds under Section 53A-6-901.

~~[E. "Teaching license" or "educator license" means an~~

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~~authorization issued by the Board which permits the holder to serve in a professional capacity in the public schools.]~~

~~[F. "USOE" means the Utah State Office of Education.]~~

R277-498-3. Board~~/USOE~~ Procedures for Distributing Funds.

~~[A.]~~ (1) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent shall ~~[identify one or more institutions of higher education]~~ select a grantee that meets the criteria of Section 53A-6-901 and the criteria of this rule from requests submitted by ~~[interested institutions of higher education]~~ a prospective grantee.

~~[B.]~~ (2) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent shall notify a selected ~~[institutions]~~ grantee of ~~[their]~~ its eligibility to receive funds under this program following:

(a) review of the request; and

(b) the assurance of matching funds.

~~[C.]~~ (3) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent may identify one eligible and qualified ~~[institution of higher education]~~ grantee and establish a funding schedule to distribute funds or allow ~~[institutions]~~ a prospective grantee to submit an application~~[s]~~ until March 30~~[7, 2013]~~.

~~[D.]~~ (4) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent, under the direction of the Board, shall distribute the appropriation provided for in Section 53A-6-901~~[, Section 2]~~ by June 30~~[2013]~~.

R277-498-4. Criteria for Awarding Grants.

~~[A.]~~ (1) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent shall consider the amount or percent of matching funds that a ~~[n institution of higher education]~~ prospective grantee ~~[shall]~~ offers.

~~[B.]~~ (2) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent shall determine that the ~~[institution of higher education]~~ prospective grantee requesting funds under Section 53A-6-901 shall use the funds~~[for teachers and training]~~ consistent with Section 53A-6-901~~[(1)]~~.

R277-498-5. Accountability and Documentation.

~~[A.]~~ (1) The ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent shall maintain records of the distribution of funds to ~~[institution(s) of higher education]~~ a grantee that~~[made]~~ requests~~[for]~~ funds provided under Section 53A-6-901 and ~~[R277-498]~~ this rule.

~~[B.]~~ (2) The recipient of funds under Section 53A-6-901 shall maintain documentation of the matching funds offered by the ~~[institution]~~ grantee that established the ~~[institution's]~~ grantee's eligibility.

~~[C.]~~ (3) Both the ~~[USOE]~~ Superintendent and the eligible ~~[institution(s)]~~ grantee shall maintain documentation of:

(a) the number of prospective educators and the relevant training received from funding provided ~~[in]~~ by Section 53A-6-901;

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or

(b) the number of experienced mathematics teachers and the relevant training received from funding provided by Section 53A-6-901.

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